

**Amendments to the claims**

1. (Original) An anhydrous liquid tooth whitening composition comprising a peroxide-containing compound and an orally acceptable carrier wherein the carrier includes a humectant, a bioadhesive agent, and a film-forming component consisting essentially of a water-insoluble film-forming agent and a solvent for the film-forming agent.
2. (Original) An anhydrous liquid tooth whitening composition according to claim 1 wherein the peroxide is selected from carbamide peroxide, and mixtures of carbamide peroxide with hydrogen peroxide and/or a hydrogen peroxide complex with vinyl pyrrolidone.
3. (Currently Amended) An anhydrous liquid tooth whitening composition according to claim 1 ~~or claim 2~~ wherein the humectant is glycerin.
4. (Currently Amended) An anhydrous liquid tooth whitening composition according to ~~any one of claims 1 to 3~~ claim 1 wherein the bioadhesive agent is selected from xanthan gum, a carbomer and PVP and its copolymers and mixtures thereof.
5. (Currently Amended) An anhydrous liquid tooth whitening composition according to ~~any one of claims 1 to 4~~ claim 1 wherein the film forming agent is ethyl cellulose.
6. (Currently Amended) An anhydrous liquid tooth whitening composition according to ~~any one of claims 1 to 5~~ claim 1 wherein the solvent is ethanol.
7. (Currently Amended) A kit of parts comprising an anhydrous liquid tooth whitening composition according to ~~any one of claims 1 to 6~~ claim 1, a container for housing the composition and an applicator for applying the composition to teeth to be whitened.

8. (Currently Amended) A method of whitening teeth comprising[:]  
preparing a tooth whitening composition according to ~~any one of claims 1 to 6~~; claim 1;
- (a) painting the composition onto teeth to be whitened;
  - (b) maintaining the composition in contact with the teeth for a plurality of hours per day; and then
  - (c) repeating steps b and c for multiple days to thereby whiten the teeth.